TAFF Mental Health Concessions **Health Promotion Rehab Services** Legal Aid **Emergency Relief** Foster Care **Public Events** Health Care Without taxes, **Prisons** Roads vital services disappear Trains Counselling Public Housing **Primary Schools** Buses **Financial Assistance** Police Disability Support Universities Hospitals Arts Courts **Victim Support Nursing** Fire Fighters **National Parks Family Support Aboriginal Services**

I am doing it tough here. I grew up in the country, got a good public education and worked as a nurses aid, but I lost my job when the local health service was cut.





Then my son got sick and needed to travel to Adelaide for treatment, but the government's travel assistance program hadn't kept up with prices - it hardly paid for anything. We moved to the city, but rent is so expensive and the electricity prices killed me - we got cut off before I could get in to see the financial adviser and get help. I couldn't cook at home, and we couldn't afford to eat out. The TAFE course I was planning is now just a dream.

I wanted some help from the government. I know they can't pay for everything, but there were funding cuts everywhere. I wish politicians wouldn't promise tax cuts when it just means that vital services disappear.

Yours, Chris uthorised by Ross Womersley, 47 King William Road, Unley behalf of the South Australian Council of Social Service.